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Read the following:-

From the Commissioner of Police, D.O. letter dated 12th July 1949.

Order

The Government have considered the suggestions for the reconstitution of the Board of Film Censors made by its President and decide provisionally as follows:--

2. Term of office of members: There is no need to extend the term of office of the members from one to three years.

3. Strength of the Board: The strength of the Board will be limited to twenty.

4. Constitution of the Board: The following will be appointed:--

(a) The Commissioner of Police - (ex-officio) President
(b) The Secretary to Government, Home Department (ex-offici
(c) The Director of Information and Publicity - Convenor (ex-officio)
(d) The Station staff Officer, Fort St. George (ex-officio)
(e) A Senior Officer of the Provincial C.I.D.
(f) Two representatives of the Madras Legislature - one from the Assembly and one from the Council both residing in the Madras City.
(g) The Deputy Director of Elementary Education to represent educational interests (ex-officio)
(h) One representative of the South Indian Film Chamber of Commerce
(i) One representative of the Cine Technicians' Association of South India
(j) One Councillor of the Corporation of Madras. The Corporation need not be asked to nominate the Councillor
(k) One journalist representing the Telugu group of papers.
(l) One journalist representing the Tamil group of papers
(m) Some suitable ladies but not a large number of them.
(n) Persons interested in the dramatic art
(o) Representatives of the different sections of the community and of the languages of the Province. There should be a sufficient number of members knowing Telugu and Tamil, so that a member need not be called upon every time a film has to be censored. The languages known and the community should be taken into consideration before nominating persons to represent the various interests concerned.

5. The Commissioner of Police is requested to submit to Government a panel of atleast 30 names in consultation, wherever necessary, with the interests concerned, and the Government will consider this panel in ~~consultation~~ constituting the next Board of Film Censors. He is also requested to report which of the members of the existing Board have absented themselves invariably or on a very large number of occasions.

6. The President of the Board is requested to submit on 1st November every year a report to the Government on the working of the Board during the previous year, with special reference to the attendance of members at the meetings of the Board, and the availability of members for censoring films.

(By Order of H. E. the Governor)

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To the Commissioner of Police. Madras
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